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Do you need a Mackintosh? We are closing them out
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Youths' Suits.



Usually the first day's sale
takes the cream of a bargain
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is nearly all cream the late
comer fares about as well as
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der of those

MEN'S AND YOUTHS'

Reduced Price Suits!

The sizes are so varied and the qualities so desirable that
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Our new Spring and
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Now Arriving.

TO-DAY we open and place on sale our new lines
Summer Wash Fabrics, such as Dress Gingham, from
10c to 25c, all fast colors, and beautiful texture—fine
Printed Batiste, 40 inches wide, same as advertised by
Jordan, Marsh & Co., of Boston, and New York mer-
chants at 12½c, now on our counters at exactly the
same price. Linen Batiste from 25c to 75c, in the
natural color and embroideries to match. Dimities in
new and beautiful patterns. Percales in new designs,
from 36 to 40 inches wide, at 12½c. Galteas in best
grades at 34c. No better goods for children.

Embroideries and Laces.

Hosiery, Gloves and Corsets.

Ladies' Umbrellas and Parasols.

Our new Parasols have all been received and the se-
lection now is as good, if not better, than it will be dur-
ing the season. All our fine and most fashionable Par-
asols are canopy top. Don't buy any other.

THE ROSE PATENT TIGHT ROLLING, FOUR-
IN-HAND UMBRELLAS

We have just received a line of. They are only about
three-fourths of an inch in diameter when rolled.

NEW READY MADE DRESSES.

We are now prepared to show our new stock of
Ready Made Dresses and Skirts and are convinced that
no establishment in the country can show a better or
more elegant line. Expert fitters in the department to
see that every dress and every skirt, cape or jacket is
just right in fit before sent home.

NEW CAPES, JACKETS AND COLLARETS.

All in and on sale to-day. A few of these readymade garments
will be in our show windows, but not the finest or handsomest.
Same will apply to our Parasols. We never put the best in the
windows. Exposure injures them more or less.

We have ordered shipment of our new Shirt Waists and
they will be along in a few days. Our Shirt Waists are all
made to order and after the most approved patterns. They will
be advertised as soon as received.

Expect to have a good deal to say about Imported Wool
Dress Goods and Silks next week in the dailies. They are
coming.

GEO. R. TAYLOR.

THAT GAS REPORT.

Parties Interested in the Board's
Affairs at the Time

TALK ABOUT THE FIGURES IN IT.

Several of the Points Explained—It was
the General Theme of Conversation
Everywhere Yesterday—The Republi-
can Member of the Board Makes a State-
ment—A Blunder in Writing the Con-
tract for the Delivery of Coal is Alleged.
A Shortage from the Old Administra-
tion.

The report of the special council com-
mittee appointed to investigate the af-
fairs of the gas board, which was printed
in the papers yesterday morning,
was naturally the leading topic of con-
versation about town all day. It was
the general idea that the city would
have great difficulty in collecting any
money from Floersheim on the contract
to deliver coal at the city gas works,
for the reason that the members of the
board which made the contract agree
in saying that the contract was intended
to be for coal delivered in the Hemp-
field yard. Ex-Clerk Fee, of the gas
board, said to an Intelligencer reporter
last night that the contract was written
by A. J. Schultze, a member of the
board preceding the one of which he
was clerk. Under it that board had paid
for hauling coal from the Hempfield
yards to the works, and when he came
in he continued to do so. Mr. Schultze
and Mr. Dunlevy both say the contract
was intended to be for the coal in the
railroad yard, and the fact that the
advertisement reads that way bears
them out. Ex-Superintendent Darrah
also says that this was the intention of
the contract.

Mr. Fee said also that when he went
into office there was an apparent short-
age, and he was directed to draw a
check against this and enter it up. This
he claims accounts for a part of the al-
leged discrepancy. Other items were
due to mistakes by the collectors and
had been made good. As to the others
he declined to talk until he had a chance
to look at the books.

Mr. Fee was very warm over the re-
port, but he said there was absolutely
no foundation for any suspicion of
fraud. He said that the report was
crooked, because nobody could if they
would.

An Intelligencer reporter saw Mr. E.
Buckman, who was the one Republican
member of the last board, and asked
him what he thought of the report. Mr.
Buckman said he was amazed at it, and
added: "The very report itself says the
errors it professes to show were made
by the secretary. Now, the secretary
was under bond to the city, not to the
board of trustees. He is responsible to
the council which confirms him and
accepts his bond, and not to the board.
The alleged overpayments to C. W.
Risey were clearly clerical errors—
there was nothing criminal about
them. Mr. Allen Brock was the board's
auditor at that time, and when he re-
ported to us that he had examined the
books and found them correct, we
naturally supposed that they were, es-
pecially when we considered the stand-
ing and reputation of Mr. Brock, as
well as that of Mr. Fee, as expert and
reliable accountants. It is pretty much
the same as in the case of a bank ex-
aminer who reports the bank all right.
If his report proves to be wrong no-
body can reasonably hold his superior
officers responsible for his error. I do
not for one moment impugn Mr. Fee's
integrity. I am satisfied that these
mistakes are merely clerical errors. I
do not suppose there is a business
house in the city in which the book-
keeper has not at some time or another
overpaid an account.

"Now, as to the work done at the
plant by the Harvey people: The build-
ing put up, which amounted to \$160, I
knew nothing about. So, also, with
the valves and connections which were
ordered by the superintendent, Mr.
Darrah, and amounted to \$270. Whether
the city should have put them in, or
the Harvey people, is still an open
question. If the people supposed we
were successful, as we supposed it would
when those things were purchased, it
would be money well spent. In any event,
the city got full value for its money.
As to Mr. Floersheim's having been
overpaid, he can defend his own inter-
ests, and I have no doubt that at the
proper time he will do so. I hope that
the public understands that no board
can take the time—no board is expected
to take the time—to do the clerical work
to run such an institution. They are
merely supposed to hire reliable and
competent people to do that work, and
that is what we supposed we did when
Mr. Fee and Mr. Brock were employed
—though neither of them would have
been my selection. I naturally would
have preferred Republicans."

WAS WELL PATRONIZED.

Thanks of the Committee in Charge of the
John Knox Entertainment.

The committee of lady managers of
the West Virginia Home for Aged and
Friendless Women do hereby express
thanks to all the ladies and gentlemen
who gave their time, and took part in
the recent entertainment, entitled:
"John Knox and the Scottish Reformation
of the Sixteenth Century," as rendered
by Mrs. Monroe, of Philadelphia.
Words cannot express their high appre-
ciation of the excellent services given
so cheerfully and enthusiastically by
all who assisted in making the enter-
tainment such a success. Thanks are
also given to the city daily papers for
their excellent notices, and to a gener-
ous public for its patronage, and for the
increased interest manifested in our
worthy and useful institution, the West
Virginia Home for Aged and Friendless
Women, located on Thirteenth and
Jacob streets.

MRS. J. N. VANCE.
MRS. WILLIAM H. STIFEL.
MRS. CARL HAMILTON.
MRS. LAWRENCE E. SANDS.
MRS. HENRY F. JONES.
MRS. JOSEPH A. BELL.
Committee.

The County Commissioners.

Yesterday was the regular auditing
session of the board of county com-
missioners. The monthly bills were
gone over, and J. S. Bedillion served
notice on the board that he proposed
to withdraw from the bond of John
Anderson as constable. Anderson was
notified to appear and furnish a new
bond. The road and bridge committee
reported that it had secured a piece of
ground on the Bethany pike for a new
toll gate. The committee was directed
to get bids for a house of three rooms
and an office, sinking a well, etc. It
was also ordered that the old toll house
and lot be advertised for sale at the
front door of the court house on March
14.

THE Irritation of the skin, so helpful
in counteracting the tortures of rheu-
matism is promptly produced by Salva-
tion Oil.

THE baking business in the last few
years has developed to such immense
proportions, and so many people are
using nothing but bakers' bread—it has
occurred to the management of the
Wheeling Bakery that possibly the
public would like to see how bread is
made in immense quantities in a mod-
ern bakery. The bakery will be open
to visitors during the afternoon and
evening for an indefinite time. They
claim to have the most perfect bread
baking in the country, and everybody
is invited to see this model establish-
ment. The best time to see the pro-
cess of bread baking is in the evening
from 7 o'clock to 10 or 11 o'clock.

THE WEEKLY WELL.

Appears to Have Been Seized at Its Best.
Activity in Tyler County—Ogden Well
Comes In—Lots of Mud in the Oil Field.

But little is discussed in oil circles
save the Devonian Oil Company's big
strike on the Lloyd Weekly farm, on
Indian creek, Tyler county, says "D. S.
W." It is the stellar attraction and
has given rise to some very wild spec-
ulation as to the possibilities of the
territory. Nothing of equal magnitude
has ever been found in the Big Injun
territory in the Mountain State. In
Mannington, in the deep sand territory,
some larger wells have been discovered,
but nowhere in the state has anything
been found to equal the Indian creek
territory.

With the output of the Weekly twice
as great as that of its neighbor, the
Tyler, the more enthusiastic line it as
the basis for expressing the opinion
that the Indian creek territory will as-
tonish the trade with wells that will be
as large as the best of the McDonald
spouters. It requires a stretch of the
imagination to arrive at any such con-
clusion when one remembers that the
old Matthews and McKay wells pro-
duced from 10,000 to 14,000 barrels a day.
The failure of the Weekly well to in-
crease its production when drilled for a
time would indicate that it has done its
best.

In the Big Flint district, Doddridge
county, Murphy, Jennings & Company
have drilled in their No. 28, on the Big
Hardman tract, and will have a 100-
barrel producer.

In the same district, the South Penn
Oil Company has completed its No. 4,
Peter Ash, and has a duster.

The Marion Oil Company's No. 3, Core,
in the Dells run district, Marion county,
is good for fifty barrels a day.

The South Penn has drilled its No.
9, D. J. Eddy, in the Jakes run district,
Monongalia county, and will have a 75-
barrel pumper.

In the Big Flint district, Murphy
Jennings & Company will drill in their
No. 38, Hardman, this week. To the
west and northwest of the Hardman
farm operations are quite active and
some new developments are expected in
that quarter soon.

New wells are putting in an appear-
ance above Waverly. The latest is the
property of the Eastern Oil Company
and Finegan, on the Ross farm, on
Bull creek, and it is reported showing
for a good producer from the Cow run
sand. The same company's No. 8, Witten,
and No. 3, Moore, in Monroe county,
will be due in the sand to-day.

Northeast of the Freiden pool, and
north and east of the well drilled on
the Wright farm, the same company
will drill a test well this week on the
Becket farm.

The Kanawha Oil Company seems to
have gotten wrong at its No. 3, Anthony
Smith, north of the Bullman well, near
Wick. It now transpires that the well
is only in the Keener sand and will
not reach the Big Injun before to-day.
Some new work is starting in that part
of the field, but it is next to impossible
to get material to that locality.

THE OGDEN OIL WELL.

Puts Up a 225-Barrel Pace—Devel-
opments Near Parkersburg.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Feb. 26—

There is great excitement in this city
over an oil well which came in this
morning on the Ogden farm, eight miles
from here. It is a gusher and is doing
225 barrels, natural. This strike opens
up a new field and will bring active de-
velopments very close to Parkersburg.
Oil developments at Burning Springs
up the Little Kanawha, are very brisk.
Two more good wells are in there and
the Skinnon well is doing by gauge,
sixty barrels.

TO THE BIG GASSEY.

The Pipe Line to Come to Wheeling via
Moundville.

It is now assured that Moundville
will be supplied with gas from the new
pipe line from the Cameron well. The
survey is being made and the pipe is
arriving by the car-load, which will be
unloaded and distributed along the
route as surveyed. The Wheeling Nat-
ural Gas Company is meeting with lit-
tle or no opposition in securing the
right-of-way. The McMeichen council
want a great deal and most likely they
will get nothing, not even the permis-
sion to tap the line, as it will most likely
pass just outside the corporate limits.

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So about has our stock of Heavy Weight Cloth-
ing been knocked. This week will about wind
up our reduced price sale. There are still a few
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comers won't leave them with us long when
they see the price on the ticket.

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1319 MARKET STREET.

New Spring Goods arriving daily, and our
entire line will be complete next week.A telephone line will be built along
the route of the pipe line for private
use.

MUD A DRAWBACK

On Operations in the Southwest Field.
Mud Reports.

The muddy roads in all parts of the
West Virginia oil fields are a bad draw-
back on active operations in the field.
Tyler county seems to have the worst
roads of the lot, but Pleasants, Wood,
Marion and Doddridge are about as
bad. And then there is Wetzel—Bob
McEldowney's backyard—which is just
as bad, almost, as Tyler. During the
cold snap the roads were passable, but
the thaw has made them as bad as they
were before. If this keeps up the pa-
pers will have to establish a news ser-
vice something like this:

Headwater Reports.

Sistersville—Mud 3 feet 9 inches and
rising. Weather cloudy with indications
favoring a heavy fall of mud.

New Martinsville—Mud 3 feet 10
inches and stationary. Three keel boats
with boilers and other oil supplies de-
parted via the country roads this morn-
ing for the interior.

Waverly—Mud 2 feet 11 inches and
rising rapidly. Near Valley Mills the
channel of the pike is said to have shifted
twelve feet to the south. Pilots
should remember this. Government
Light No. 599 has been moved up stream
600 yards.

Parkersburg—The mud in the several
old-time county highways is getting
low and it is feared navigation will
soon suspend. As wagons have long
since been cut into kindling wood and
flatboats only are available, something
will have to be done. A committee will
leave for Washington to-night to se-
cure the assistance of Congressman
Dover in having an appropriation
made for a system of mud reservoirs
through Wood county. Locks and dams
will be a feature of the improvement.
The Democrats are said to favor this
"mud-hoarding" project; they expect
to draw on the reservoirs during the
coming campaign. Oil men, however,
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to draw on the reservoirs during the
coming campaign. Oil men, however,

its legitimate use—to keep the roads
full of mud so the oil craft can navi-
gate.

"The Derby Winner."

This will be the attraction at the
Grand Opera House next Monday night.
The St. Louis Chronicle says:
Manager Al Spink is to be congrat-
ulated upon the improvement which has
been made in his play, "The Derby

Winner." It is better in every way
than it was last year, and it is certain
to prove a success. If its reception by
a St. Louis audience is to be taken
as an index, the audience which greet-
ed its production at the Grand Opera
House Saturday night was a large one,
and at all times enthusiastic. Viola
Arthur was the favorite in the cast,
and the part which has been written
for her was exactly suited to her charm-
ing style of acting. All the specialties
are clever and the scenery is good.

DIED.

DOUGHERTY—On Tuesday, February 25,

1896, at 2 o'clock p. m., JANE DOUGH-

ERTY, wife of the late William

Dougherty, in her 83d year.

Funeral from the residence of her son,

John H. Dougherty, No. 23 National

Road, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Interment at Mt. Wood cemetery.

Friends of the family invited.

ZANE—On Wednesday, February 26, 1896,

at 10:20 a. m., DANIEL F. ZANE, in

his 63d year.

Funeral from his late residence, No. 52

South Front street, Friday morning at

10 o'clock. Friends of the family are

respectfully invited to attend. Interment

at Greenwood cemetery.

BOYD—On Tuesday morning, February 25,

1896, at 7:30 o'clock, FRANCES H., wife

of Pryor Boyd.

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